GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CULTURE
LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:519
ANSWERED ON:10.05.2007
PRESERVATION AND PROMOTION OF FOLK/TRIBAL ART AND CULTURE
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Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has formulated any scheme for preservation and promotion of Folk/Tribal Art and Culture of different tribes in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the financial assistance provided to various NGOs/agencies during each of the last three years under the scheme?

Answer

MINISTER OF TOURISM AND CULTURE (SMT. AMBIKA SONI)

A statement is laid on the table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) to (c) OF THE LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 519 DUE FOR ANSWER ON 10.5.2007 REGRDING PRESERVATION AND PROMOTION OF FOLK/ TRIBAL ART AND CULTURE.

(a) & (b) The Ministry of Culture has a number of programmes to preserve and promote tribal culture and folk art. They include a number of programmes sponsored by the Indira Gandhi Rashtriya Manav Sangrahalaya, Bhopal, Zonal Cultural Centres and the Anthropological Survey of India, Kolkata. In addition, the Ministry of Culture has other ongoing Schemes including a specific Scheme for Preservation and Promotion of Tribal/Folk Art and Culture. Under this Scheme, voluntary organisations, institutions and individuals both tribal and non-tribal, who are engaged in the preservation of Tribal/ Folk Art and Culture are provided financial assistance.

(c) The details of the financial assistance given to various agencies/NGOs/Individuals during last three years under the Scheme for Preservation and Promotion of Tribal /Folk Art and Culture are as under:

Financial Year	Amount Released
2004-05	Rs.1,26,02,000/-
2005-06	Rs.1,85,00,000/-
2006-07	Rs.1,22,50,000/-